AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) An antiaging composition comprising the following components (A) and (B):

(A) ~~at least one member selected from the group consisting of~~ ascorbic acid 2-glucoside~~, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof~~; and

(B) at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3' -monophosphate, adenosine 5' -monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and ~~a salt~~ salts thereof.

Claims 2 -4. (Cancelled)

Claim 5. (Original) An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

Claim 6. (Cancelled)

Claim 7. (Original) An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (A) is contained in a proportion of 0.05 to 10%(w/w) based on the total amount of the antiaging composition.

Claim 8. (Original) An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is contained in a proportion of 0.05 to 10%(w/w) based on the total amount of the antiaging composition.

Claim 9. (Original) An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is contained in a proportion of 0.5 to 1000 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

Claim 10. (Original) An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition is a cosmetic, or an externally-applied medical or quasi-medical drug.

Claim 11. (Original) An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition is used as a composition for alleviating pigmentation.

Claim 12. (Currently Amended) A method for potentiating an antiaging action of a composition containing ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ~~a derivative of ascorbic acid, or a salt thereof~~, the method comprising the step of ~~using at least one member selected from the group (A) consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof, in combination with~~ incorporating at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group (B) consisting of adenosine 2' -monophosphate, adenosine 3' -monophosphate, adenosine 5' -monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and ~~a salt~~ salts thereof into said composition.

Claims 13 and 14. (Cancelled)

Claim 15. (Original) A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

Claim 16. (Cancelled)

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (B) is present ~~used, in combination with the component (A),~~ in a

proportion of 0.5 to 1000 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside ~~the component (A)~~.

Claim 18. (Currently Amended) A method for retarding skin-aging comprising the step of applying to the skin ~~at least one member selected from the group (A) consisting of~~ ascorbic acid 2-glucoside~~, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof,~~ and at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group ~~(B)~~ consisting of adenosine 2' -monophosphate, adenosine 3' -monophosphate, adenosine 5' -monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and ~~a salt~~ salts thereof.

Claim 19. (Cancelled)

Claim 20. (Cancelled)